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PASS GOLDMAN (STATE/STA); BLANKENHEIMER (COMMERCE 328);
TREASURY (SUCHMAN); CUSTOMS (CARAMAGNO)

E.O. 1165289 /A

TAGS: ETRD, JA

SUBJECT: SPECIALTY STEEL NEGOTIATIONS; BEARING STEEL CLASSI-
FICATIONS

1. IN DISCUSSIONS OF ORDERLY MARKETING AGREEMENT (OMA) FOR
SPECIALTY STEEL, GOJ OFFICIALS SEEK ASSURANCE THAT BEARING STEEL
FALLS OUTSIDE SCOPE OF US TARIFF ITEMS SUBJECT TO USITC INJURY
FINDING IN ESCAPE CLAUSE CASE.

2. GOJ OFFICIALS CLAIM BEARING STEEL IS CLASSIFIED IN
TSUSA 608.5240 WHICH IS NOT INCLUDED AMONG ITEMS IN IN-
JURY FINDING. ACCORDING TO JAPANESE, BEARING STEEL CON-
SISTS OF WIRE ROD OR ROUND BAR, BUT ALSO COULD BE SHIPPED
IN FORM OF WIRE OR TUBE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: CUSTOMS IS REQUESTED TO REVIEW
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS IN FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS TO DE-
TERMINE APPROPRIATE TSUSA CLASSIFICATIONS OF JAPANESE
BEARING STEEL AND REPLY IMMEDIATELY TO EMBASSY TOKYO.
US DEL MUST HAVE REPLY BY COB MAY 3, WASHINGTON TIME.

4. US DEL NEEDS CUSTOMS ADVICE TO AVOID UNWITTINGLY
GRANTING EXEMPTION ON PRODUCTS WITHIN COVERAGE OF ESCAPE
CLAUSE FINDING OR CREATING OTHER CUSTOMS PROBLEMS. IT
IS POSSIBLE THAT WHAT JAPANESE CONSIDER BEARING STEEL
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FALLS PARTLY WITHIN HIGH-SPEED TOOL CLASSIFICATIONS IN

US TARIFF WHICH SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO OMA. CUSTOMS ALSO REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER COURT CASES ARE PENDING REGARDING CLASSIFICATION OF BEARING STEEL. CUSTOMS MAY CONTACT US INDUSTRY OR IMPORT SOURCES, BUT WITHOUT GIVING BACKGROUND OF NEED FOR INFORMATION. SPECIFICATIONS FOLLOW.

5. CLASSIFICATION NUMBERS: JAPAN INDUSTRIAL STANDARD JIS-G-4805 (1970) HIGH CARBON CHROMIUM BEARING STEELS. JAPAN EXPORT CLASSIFICATIONS: WIRE ROD SITC 673-139 (JAPAN BTN 73.15.339, EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 1976); ROUND BAR SITC 673-269 (JAPAN BTN 73.15.369, EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 1976).

6. CHEMICAL COMPOSITION: (PERCENT)

	SUJ 1	SUJ 2	SUJ 3	SUJ 4	SUJ 5
CARBON	0.95-1.10	0.95-1.10	0.95-1.10	0.95-1.10	0.95-1.10
SILICON	0.15-0.35	0.15-0.35	0.40-0.70	0.15-0.35	0.40-0.70
MANGANESE	0.50	0.50	0.90-1.15	0.50	0.90-1.15
PHOSPHORUS	0.025	0.025	0.025	0.025	0.025
SULFUR	0.025	0.025	0.025	0.025	0.025
CHROMIUM	0.90-1.20	1.30-1.60	0.90-1.20	1.30-1.60	0.90-1.20
MOLYBDENUM	--	--	--	0.10-0.25	0.10-0.25

7. AISI AND ASTM EQUIVALENTS:

	SUJ 1	SUJ 2	SUJ 3	SUJ 4	SUJ 5
AISI	E51100	E52100	--	--	--
ASTMA295-70	51100	52100	50100	--	--

8. DIAMETERS: 15 MM THROUGH 130 MM.

9. FOR COMMERCE/CUSTOMS: PLEASE SEND LATEST CUMULATIVE IMPORT MONITORING DATA AVAILABLE FOR FIVE SPECIALITY STEEL GROUPINGS, WORLD TOTAL, JAPAN, AND SWEDEN. REPLY MAY BE SEPARATE FROM INFORMATION REQUESTED ABOVE AND SHOULD BE ADDRESSED BOTH TO TOKYO AND STOCKHOLM, ATTENTION: US SPECIALTY STEEL DELEGATION.
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